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Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132

I, Donald W. Mitchell, declare and say as follows:

1. I am the inventor in Application 10/781,282 and reside in San Lorenzo, California.
2. I am familiar with the office action dated 5/10/2007 and the references cited in a 35 U.S.C § 103(a) rejection based on Mara in view of *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummy*.
3. I am familiar with the *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummy*, and have used it personally for training.
4. The *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummy* is a standard piece of training equipment with detailed standards and specifications. Based on my martial arts knowledge, and having seen many *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummies*. I believe that all *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummies* are substantially identical.
5. Notwithstanding its name, the *Stand Alone Spinning Wing Chun Dummy* is not capable of rotating a full 360°, but rather if facing the crooked wooden leg it rotates about 90° in either direction and then springs back on its own due to its construction, "seeming to strike back". It does not rotate in the same sense as my invention, which rotates freely a full circle (360°) in each direction.
6. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issuing hereon.
7. Declarant saith further not.

  
Donald W. Mitchell

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